



COMING SOON! Medicare Public Education Seminars

MEDICARE 101 - WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM MEDICARE

Did you recently enroll in Medicare or will be going on soon? Do you help someone who has Medicare as his or her health insurance? This presentation covers how Medicare Parts A (Hospital), B (Medical) and D (Prescription Drug) work, what the benefits are, and when you should make decisions related to your coverage. Find out about benefit programs that can help pay for Medicare health care costs. Sponsored by the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Howard County Office on Aging and Independence. Register by calling **410-313-7389** (for HCGH Wellness Center event call **410-740-7601**). No fee.

Thursday, May 4, 2017	7:00pm - 8:30pm	Bain 50+ Center 5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia 21044
Thursday, June 8, 2017	10:00am - 11:30am	Howard County General Hospital - Wellness Center 10710 Charter Dr., Suite 100, Columbia 21044
Wednesday, Aug 2, 2017	10:00am - 11:30am	Ellicott City 50+ Center 9401 Frederick Rd., Ellicott City 21042

^{*} No presentations will be held in July

MEDICARE 102 - WHY MEDICARE ISN'T ENOUGH

Learn about Medicare Part C/Health Plans and Medicare Supplement Policies (Medigap Plans). What should you consider when deciding if a Medicare Health Plan, such as an HMO, PPO or Cost Plan, is the right choice for you? Understand how the different Medigap plans cover the gaps (out of pocket expenses) of Original Medicare, how they are priced and when is the best time to enroll. Hear about how to protect yourself and Medicare from health care fraud. Sponsored by the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Howard County Office on Aging and Independence. Register by calling **410-313-7389** (for HCGH Wellness Center event call **410-740-7601**).

Thursday, May 11, 2017	7:00pm - 8:30pm	Bain 50+ Center 5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia 21044
Thursday, Jun 15, 2017	10:00am - 11:30am	Howard County General Hospital - Wellness Center 10710 Charter Dr., Suite 100, Columbia 21044
Wednesday, Aug 9, 2017	10:00am - 11:30am	Ellicott City 50+ Center 9401 Frederick Rd., Ellicott City 21042

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USING MEDICARE'S PLAN FINDER

Learn how to use the 'Plan Finder' tool on the www.medicare.gov website, a powerful aid for comparing and reviewing the Medicare Prescription Drug Plans available to you. The 'Plan Finder' can also be used to compare Medicare health plans (such as HMOs/Health Maintenance Organizations or Cost Plans) and while explaining the tool for that purpose is out of the scope of this presentation, you will learn many basics that are used for both types of comparisons. Sponsored by the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), Howard County Office on Aging and Independence. Register by calling 410-313-7389 (for HCGH Wellness Center event call 410-740-7601). No fee.

Thursday, Jun 22, 2017	10:00am - 11:30am	Howard County General Hospital - Wellness Center 10710 Charter Dr., Suite 100, Columbia 21044
Wednesday, Aug 16, 2017	10:00am - 11:30am	Ellicott City 50+ Center 9401 Frederick Rd., Ellicott City 21042

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<u>REGISTRATION</u> - For questions or to register:

For presentations at Bain 50+ Center, Ellicott City 50+ Center and North Laurel 50+ Center call 410-313-7389.

For **presentations** at **Howard County General Hospital Wellness Center** visit hcgh.org or call **410-740-7601**.

Updated "Coming Soon" announcements are available on www.howardcountymd.gov/ship

One-on-one counseling sessions are available at the locations listed below. Call **410-313-7392** to schedule an appointment.

- Bain 50+ Center: Monday through Friday
- Ellicott City 50+ Center: Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons
- Glenwood 50+ Center: Second Tuesday morning of each month
- North Laurel 50+ Center: First and third Thursday morning of each month

Learn more about services for Howard County residents at www.howardcountyaging.org or find us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/HoCoCommunity

If you need this document in an alternative format or accommodations to participate in any of these events (with at least two weeks prior notification to the event) please contact Barbara Albert at 410-313-7391 (voice/relay) or at balbert@howardcountymd.gov.





